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Testimony of Linda A. Orange State Representative, 48<sup>th</sup> District 52 Standish Road, Colchester, CT 06415 860-537-3936 February 26, 2007 Connecticut General Assembly Committee on Public Health

Re: HB-6699

My name is Linda Orange and I am the State Representative from the 48<sup>th</sup> District of Colchester, East Haddam and Moodus. I would like to offer testimony regarding House Bill 6699, "An Act Authorizing Bonds of the State for Expansion of Hospice Southeastern Connecticut."

Hospice Southeastern Connecticut is the only Medicare Certified Hospice in New London County, and is likewise the only hospice program offering all of the components required by the National Hospice and Pallative Care Organization in said area.

This facility remains an integral part of New London County's health care system and a valued sponsor of community events. They have helped countless families work through innumerable hardships. I urge you to support HB-6699 and continue the success story of this crucial facility.

Thank you for your consideration and your time.

State Representative Linda Orange